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March 7, 2014

Kathryn Tydlacka, Executive Director Ka'u Learning Academy PO Box 809 Na'alehu, HI 96772

Dear Ms. Tydlacka,

Following our conversation and my review of your academic plan, I want to express my sincere support for the Ka'u Learning Academy. I am keenly aware of the need for a program like yours that will address the unique needs of many of the children from Ka'u who are unable to thrive in the existing public schools. Your approach to serving the students and their families is unique and one that I believe will allow you to achieve the success that you demonstrated as a teacher at Na'alehu School.

I am also looking forward to collaborating with you as I develop our water project in Ocean View. As we discussed, I feel that integrating this project with the development of a Ka'u Learning Academy campus in Ocean View (on the land that the County has offered to donate to you) will be of great benefit to the community and your school. Providing agricultural education to the children as a part of your strong academic plan will provide your students with a better understanding of the importance farming plays in our state's economy. Your developing collaboration with the University of Hawaii is something that I hope to help foster in the future so that your students and their families can have a truly unique and enriching educational experience.

As a former Peace Corps Volunteer to the Marshall Islands I also applaud your commitment to serving the large number of Marshallese students who live in the Ocean View community. As I discussed with you I worked with a group of those children at Na'alehu School a couple of years ago. Having a school campus in Ocean View will be critical in facilitating contacts with the parents of these students, who reside principally in Ocean View as well as making extracurricular programs more accessible.

Sincerely,

Richard Creagan

State Representative

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Subject: March 12, 2014, General Commission Meeting Testimony on Charter School application for

proposed Kau Learning Academy

Date: Tuesday, March 11, 2014 8:59:59 PM Hawaii-Aleutian Standard Time

From: carol zimmerman

To: Commission Mail

attn: Commission

We write to express our support for the Kau Learning Academy. We are parents of an 11 year old and we would like alternative educational opportunities for him. Currently, he and the other children in this area, which total more than 1,000 children, must either travel up to approximately 60 miles to attend middle school and high school. And, children in Naalehu, have but one choice and that is a public school which has been under restructuring due to inadequate performance, and which, in addition, is dealing with serious overcrowding issues.

We want what every parent wants for his/her child: a good education, and a safe environment to allow learning to happen.

This is not a new idea that is desired by this community. A group of parents worked countless hours to start a charter school about 6 years ago. And, now, another group of individuals is again taking on this incredible task to provide an educational alternative for our children.

This area is mostly a lower socio-economic population. Most of the children come from homes that are below the poverty level. If these children aren't provided with a good education, there will be no break in the cycle of poverty/poor education. Without a good education, the future for the majority of these children will be continued poverty/welfare, drugs, and crime. And there is absolutely no reason why the lives of these children in this community cannot be turned around if they are given a chance with a good education.

Not all children begin their educational experience on equal footing - some are lucky to come from enriched environments, but, most in this community are probably lucky just to get to school on a regular basis, not to mention an inadequate breakfast, stress from domestic violence or psychological/physical abuse,....

The educational options currently available for these children will not stop the cycle of poverty, abuse, violence. These beautiful children deserve a chance for a better life. Please, give them that chance.

Please, vote yes for the future of this community; vote yes, for the Kau Learning Academy. Vote yes, for the children.

Thank you for this opportunity to be heard.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carol Zimmerman, BS, DC, LAc, MAOM Mr. David Rudacille

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December 20, 2013

Re: New Public Charter School in the District of Ka'ū, Island of Hawai'i

Aloha Kathleen,

I support your endeavor to start a public charter school in the District of Ka'u on the Island of Hawai'i.

Although many children perform well in the regular public schools provided by the State of Hawai'i Department of Education, some children need a different environment in which to thrive educationally. Our families need to have a choice between regular public schools, public charter schools, home schools, and private schools. A public charter school provides such a choice, and I believe the families of the District of Ka'u should have that choice in education.

Based on your results with your students over the past two years, I believe the Ka'u Learning Academy has what it takes to meet the unique needs of the children of Ka'u.

Sincerely,

Brenda Jal

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I am a resident of Ka'u and I am in full and strong support of bringing Ka'u Learning Academy, a public charter school, to our community. I believe that the families and children of Ka'u need educational choice. I believe that Kathryn Tydlacka, a member of our community, understands the unique and specific needs of many of the children of Ka'u and will provide them with educational opportunities that are not currently being made available to many of our children.

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